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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed August 5, 2003, for which a response was due on September 5, 2003, and for which a three-month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from September 5, 2003, to December 5, 2003. Applicants hereby elect without traverse Group 1 (Claims 1-50) for continued examination.

Applicants expressly reserves their right under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application directed to the nonelected subject matter during the pendency of this application, or an application claiming priority from this application.

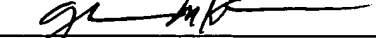
Applicants request examination of the elected subject matter on the merits.

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